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SPECIAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

TO: Mayor and City Council

Christine Cordon, City Manager

SUBJECT: Street Vendor Enforcement

DATE: November 17, 2023

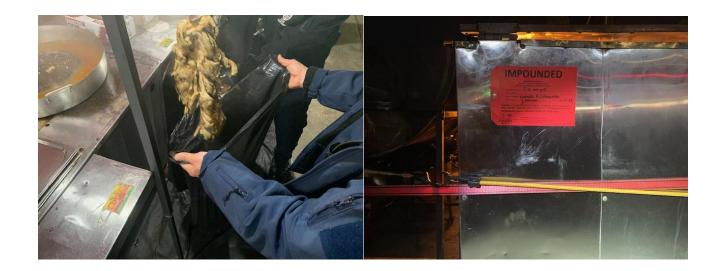
FROM:

Kevin MacCormick, Commander

On Thursday, November 17, 2023, members of the Code Enforcement division collaborated with the Orange County Health Department, CPU, and Public Works to conduct a street vendor enforcement sweep throughout the city. It should be noted that before this, Code Enforcement staff conducted outreach on three separate occasions, held two informational workshops to educate street vendors on the proper permits needed to conduct business in the City of Westminster and the appropriate way to obtain those permits, and conducted three enforcement sweeps.

Code Enforcement officers made contact at four street vendor locations where the Orange County Health Department issued impounds orders for equipment and perishable items. Eight additional locations where street vendors are known to operate were also checked but no vendors were located at those locations. The Orange County Health Department provided instructions to vendors on how to retrieve their cooking equipment and reminded them of the proper permits needed to operate and how to obtain those permits. Code Enforcement Officers did not encounter any resistance at any of the locations and translators were on the scene to assist with non-English speaking vendors.







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SPECIAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

TO: Mayor and City Council

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SUBJECT: Elder Abuse

DATE: November 18, 2023

Kyle Seasock, Sergeant

On November 18, 2023 at approximately 1:00 P.M., Officers responded to the 16000 block of Beach Boulevard reference an assault call. The victim was driving around in the parking lot in a vehicle when he passed the suspect, who was walking through the parking lot on foot. There was a verbal exchange between the two parties, at which point the suspect punched the victim in the face. The victim was treated at the scene. The suspect remained on scene and was taken into custody without incident. The attack was unprovoked, and due to the age of the victim, the suspect will be booked into Orange County Jail for Elder Abuse.



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SPECIAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

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SUBJECT: Robbery

Kyle Seasock, Sergeant

DATE: November 18, 2023

FROM:

On November 18, 2023 at approximately 8:00 A.M., Officers responded to the area of Brookhurst St. and Bolsa Ave. reference a male on the ground and not moving. The call was deemed a medical aid at this time and the subject was transported to the hospital.

Several hours later, the hospital called the Westminster Police Department because the male had stated he was robbed of his belongings. An Officer went to the hospital and spoke to the male. The male was seated on a bus bench when an unknown male approached him from behind and put his hand over the victim's face. The victim lost consciousness. When the victim woke up, he said his bicycle, cross body satchel and \$40 cash had been stolen. Medical tests showed the victim had fentanyl and marijuana in his system, and the victim is not a drug user.

Only a vague suspect description is available, and was not located at this time.



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DATE: November 22, 2023

SUBJECT: Commercial Burglary

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Cynthia Sweasy, Sergeant

On November 22, 2023, at 12:59 P.M., officers responded to Zumiez at the Westminster Mall reference a theft that just occurred. A Westminster Police Officer was at the Westminster Mall investigating an unrelated burglary when he noticed the suspect vehicle fleeing the location at a high rate of speed. A high-risk vehicle stop was initiated and three male adults were taken into custody without incident.

Approximately \$1200 worth of skateboards and clothing were recovered. The suspects were also in possession of numerous burglary tools. All three suspects were booked at OCJ. It does not appear the suspects were related to the initial burglary the officer was investigating.





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SPECIAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

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SUBJECT: Assault w/ a Deadly Weapon

FROM:

Rvan Reves, Sergeant

DATE: November 24, 2023

On November 23, 2023, at 10:49 pm, WPD officers responded to the area of 14000 block of Magnolia Street in reference to an assault. During the investigation, it was discovered that a male struck his wife with a household item causing injuries. The male was subsequently arrested and booked into Orange County Jail for Domestic Violence and Assault with a Deadly Weapon. The female victim did not need medical treatment. No additional resources needed.



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DATE: November 24, 2023

SUBJECT: <u>Homicide</u> FROM:

Andy Stowers, Sergeant

On November 24, 2023, Westminster Police officers responded to an apartment near Goldenwest Street and Westminster Boulevard to check the welfare of a 9-year-old girl with special needs. WPD received information that the child may need assistance. When the officers arrived on scene, they saw signs of foul play and forced entry into the home. Once inside, they located the female deceased in the house. It was determined that a homicide took place and a person of interest was immediately identified. Using law enforcement resources and investigative techniques, the person of interest was located and detained. Detectives, patrol and additional resources are still on scene with the case ongoing. A press release will be sent out later with updated information.



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SPECIAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

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DATE: November 24, 2023

FROM:

SUBJECT: Macy's Robbery

Andy Stowers, Sergeant

On November 24, 2023, at approximately 11:45 AM, Westminster officers responded to Macy's at the Westminster Mall reference a robbery. When officers arrived, they learned that a male had taken several fragrance bottles and left the store without paying for them. When the employee confronted the suspect, the suspect brandished a knife and threatened the employee. The suspect was able to get away with the stolen merchandise. A county wide broadcast was sent out. The suspect was not located and a robbery report was taken.



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SUBJECT: Robbery

DATE: November 25, 2023

Rvan Reves, Sergeant

On 11/24/23, at 6:39 pm, four suspects entered a business in the area of 16000 Beach Blvd.. During that time, they stole \$500 in merchandise. The suspects were confronted by the store security officer. The suspects then assaulted the security officer, entered a vehicle, and fled the scene northbound on Beach Bl. No suspects leads at this time. No medical attention was needed for the victim.



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DATE: November 26, 2023

SUBJECT: Assault arrest FROM:

Andy Stowers, Sergeant

On November 26, 2023, at approximately 5:30 PM, Westminster Police officers responded to a park in the area of Beach and McFadden reference an assault between a male and female transient. Officers arrived and located all involved parties. It was determined that the two subjects were in a relationship and the female had assaulted the male with a golf club. The female was arrested and will be booked into Orange County Jail for assault with a deadly weapon and domestic violence.



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SUBJECT: School lock down at LQHS

DATE: November 27, 2023

David Ferronato, Sergeant

On November 27, 2023, at approximately 12:28 PM, the Westminster Police Department received a call from the administration at La Quinta High School concerning information about a student possibly in possession of a weapon on campus. Principal Avina received this concerning information from another student as it was shared over the weekend via the group chat application "Discord". The 15-year-old male student was rumored to have a gun and/or possible bomb that could be hidden inside their backpack. The school campus was placed on lockdown by LQHS as WPD patrol responded. The student was located, and he was detained without incident. No gun or bomb was in his backpack or located on school grounds. During the investigation, no direct or indirect threat was ever made toward the school, staff, or any students. LQHS was on lockdown for about 30 minutes.



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SPECIAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

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DATE: November 26th, 2023

SUBJECT: Seized Handgun FROM: Sergeant Jeremy Hill

On Sunday November 26th, 2023 at 9:45 P.M. a WPD Officer stopped a vehicle for a registration violation near Magnolia and Edinger. The passenger of the vehicle was in possession of a large amount of cash and a loaded handgun. The handgun was not registered to the subject. After an investigation regarding the subject's true identity it was learned he had warrants out of state. The handgun was seized and the subject was booked at Orange County Jail pending extradition to Virgina or Vermont where the outstanding warrants are from. The U.S. Marshalls will be handling the extradition. The incident is documented under DR 23-09573.

